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1. I ASKED MINISTER OF INFORMATION KWAQVI BENYI JOHNSON ABOUT
HIS IMPRESSIONS OF HAVANA MEETING.

2. HE SAID THAT TUNISIA HAD CHAIRED MEETINGS AND HAD DONE

GOOD JOB OF KEEPING CONFERENCE ON THE TRACK AND AVOIDING EXCESSIVELY POLITICAL ISSUES. JOHNSON SAID ALSO THAT ZAIRE HAD PLAYED HIGHLY CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE.

3. MINISTER JOHNSON SAID THAT PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY OF CONFERENCE HAD BEEN TO ADDRESS ISSUES CONCERNING CONTINUING PREPARATION OF NON-ALIGNED POSITION WITH REGARD TO INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION POLICY. NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL WILL BE IN LOME IN 1979.

4. RE PARA 4, REF A, JOHNSON SAID AFRICAN MEMBERS WERE INDEED GHANA, MOZAMBIQUE, SONALIA, TOGO, TUNISIA AND ZAIRE.

5. RE PARA 5, REF A:

A) LISTED AFRICAN COUNTRIES WERE INVITED TO HAVANA.

B) IN TIME AVAILABLE I WAS NOT ABLE TO OBTAIN NAMES AND POSITIONS REPRESENTATIVES RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES.

C) PRINCIPAL AGENDA ITEM APPARENTLY WAS TUNISIAN RESOLUTION REFERRED TO IN PARA ONE REF A.

D) MINISTER JOHNSON SPOKE OF "NEW WORLD ORDER FOR INFORMATION" IN STRAIGHTFORWARD WAY. CUBANS APPEAR TO BE IN LEAD IN PRESSING THIS ISSUE. AS NOTED ABOVE, TUNISIA AND ZAIRE, APPARENTLY ALONG WITH TOGO, WERE MODERATING FORCES AT HAVANA MEETING. PALMER

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